GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
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MAINTENANCE OF BOFORS CANNONS
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Will the Minister of DEFENCE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government is aware that Bofors Cannons are not being properly maintained;

(b) if so, the reasons therefor; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government for proper maintenance of Bofors Cannons?

Answer

MINISTER OF DEFENCE (SHRI PRANAB MUKHERJEE)

(a) No such report has come to the notice of the Government.

(b) Does not arise.

(c) Necessary steps have been taken by the concerned authorities to ensure maintenance of Bofors guns. These steps include strip inspection at the periodicity of 6 years and decision to overhaul guns after 18 years. Pilot Overhaul of 10 Guns has been completed during 2004-2005. It is intended to complete overhaul of all Bofors guns within next 10 years.